JOHN BRONDER.

FEBRUARY 2, 1897.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Gibson, from the Committee on War Claims, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany H. Res. 513.]

That this is a claim for stores and supplies furnished the Army of the United States during the late war by John Bronder, of Loudon

County, Tenn. Claim stated at \$7,937.

The claimant filed his claim before the Commissioners of Claims under the terms of the act of March 3, 1871. The case was dismissed by the Commission for nonprosecution. The Commission required claimant to come with his witnesses to Washington City and testify orally before the Commissioners; and he was unable to comply with this rule.

If claimant has a just claim it ought to be paid, and there is no reason why the proper facilities should not be afforded him to establish its validity. The committee therefore recommend that the claim be referred to the Court of Claims for a finding of facts under the provisions of the act of March 3, 1887, and generally known as the "Tucker Act," and report herewith a resolution to that effect and recommend its passage.